GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA

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GOLD RESERVES
Bose Shri Subrata

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is adequate gold reserves in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether the Geological Survey of India has been asked to find out the reserves available in the country; and

(d) if so, the progress made in this regard, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER AND MINSITRY OF MINES (SHRI B. K. HANDIQUE)

(a) : No, Sir. As per Indian Bureau of Mines year book (2006) total gold reserve of the country as on 1.4.2005 is 85.12 tonnes.

(b) : The State-wise details of the reserve of gold is as follows:

State	Reserve (In tonnes)
Andhra Pradesh	6.02
Jharkhand	0.83
Karnataka	78.27

(c) : Yes, Sir. Geological Survey of India (GSI) has been carrying out regional exploration for gold in the country .

(d) : The State-wise progress of investigations made in this regard by GSI is given as per Annexure.